

# DELEGATES SHARPEN WET PLANK TO FIT PLATFORM

## Delegates Have Various Views as to How the Question Should Be Approached—Cummings Defines the Question as Not a Prohibition Issue, Merely in Expression of Party's Attitude on the Volstead Enforcement Act—"Beer" Issue Probably Will Be Fought Out on the Floor of the Convention—All Other Issues Are Expected to Be Settled in Committee.

San Francisco, Calif., June 23.—A volunteer construction corps of platform builders was busy today whitening out plants which they believed would meet the needs of the democratic national convention in expressing its views as to prohibition enforcement. Leaders including Chairman Cummings of the National committee, in agreement with this question, were the center of the convention stage until it was settled. Mr. Cummings expressed the opinion that it would be the only issue to be carried to the convention floor. Informal discussion by delegates shows several schools of thought among the anti-bone dry advocates as to how the question should be approached. They vary from state's rights statesmen who lift the ban from the light wines. The most pronounced movement at the moment, however, and the one which appeared today to have taken the most definite shape was that originating in Washington and destined to offer a long and which anti-bone dry forces could concentrate.

Personal liberty will be the slogan of advocates of this compromise plank. Mr. Cummings was emphatic in defining the question to be solved as not a prohibition issue, but merely expression of the party's attitude as to the numerous other issues on which there Volstead enforcement act. There was a difference of opinion before the resolutions committee. Mr. Cummings thought, including proffering, the industrial plank, touching relations between capital and labor, the Irish question and others, but no present prospect that they could not be harmonized in committee. A minority report is to be expected only on the so-called "beer plank," it was agreed, and will throw the fight into the convention itself.

The Washington enforcement plank was said, and in which anti-bone dry the administration. It is understood to have been drawn from the personal liberty angle and to avoid the in general terms a liberalization of the Volstead act. Specific mention of wine, beer or any other beverage by name was omitted. The plank will be put forward as representing the opinion of many senators and representatives and its framers hope to be able to claim for it the backing of President Wilson himself. It was drawn after conference in which more than one members of the cabinet were present, and in which anti-bone dry senators took a leading part.

Avoidance of specific mention of beverages, proponents of the Washington plank argued, and an appeal for an enforcement policy more in harmony with American ideas of personal liberty would serve to prevent alienation of sentiment which a more direct approach might push into the bone dry ranks.

By such a course, also, he added, the party's stand could be in strict accordance with the ruling of the supreme court confirming the constitutionality of the Volstead act.

It was questionable tonight whether any direct reference to the Volstead act would be urged on the platform. The plank to be urged by the anti-bone dries, however, is expected, whatever it may say otherwise, to ran the republican congress sharply for enactment of the enforcement measure.

A new source of discussion arose today in connection with convention procedure. It had to do with determining whether the platform should be adopted before or after the presidential nominee had been selected.

Chairman Cummings apparently has had the question up with managers of various candidates and found their views to differ.

Some of the workers for this or that candidate profess to see strategic advantage for their man in one course or the other. The national chairman did not share their views; but to promote harmony will call the campaign managers into conference on the eve of the convention to see if a satisfactory program cannot be arranged on the existing form.

There is strong desire to expedite the convention's work as much as possible. Steps to limit nominating or at least recording speeches are under consideration. There were intimations that 20 minutes expected the report on platform to be deferred until after the halloing on nominees. This would permit the convention to proceed with nominations while the wrangle over platform issues was in progress.

It was intimated that no thought of fitting issues to candidates or the other way round was in mind among the leaders, nor any view that nominees were more important than platform expressions.

## HARDING IS PREPARING TO INAUGURATE HIS CAMPAIGN

Washington, June 23.—Preliminary steps for the inauguration of his campaign having been taken, Senator Harding, the republican presidential candidate, today turned his attention to his speech of acceptance, which is expected to sound the campaign keynote for the party.

The nominee. It was said today, plans to devote most of his time prior to July 1, when he will leave Washington for his Marion, Ohio, home to the preparation of a speech. Interspersed with the work on the speech, however, will be conferences with party leaders as was indicated today when Mr. Harding participated in several informal discussions as to campaign plans.

No date has been set for the first meeting of the executive committee of 21, chosen yesterday to direct the national campaign. One member of that committee remains to be appointed and until the committee's membership has been completed no action toward calling the committee together will be taken.

Among his daily epics of congratulatory letters and promises of support, the senator today received a letter from a man in Rochester, Pennsylvania, containing a check for one dollar. The accompanying letter said: "I am not a president, but I am not a party of force and violence."

# Tammany leader Murphy indicted

## With Others is Charged With Violating Income Tax Law

York, June 23.—Indictment of Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, and five others on charges of conspiracy to defraud the United States by falsifying income tax returns and attempting intimidation of Louis N. Hartog, a wealthy manufacturer, through criminal prosecution, was announced here today. The indictments, which were returned secretly by the extraordinary grand jury yesterday came as a great surprise. Murphy is now on his way to the democratic national convention at San Francisco.

Others indicted with Murphy were Assistant District Attorney James E. Smith, one of the central figures in the "vice war" between the district attorney's office and police department; John A. McCarthy, former business partner of John Murphy, brother of the Tammany leader; Arthur J. Baldwin, a lawyer; Ernest Walsh, vice president of the Corn Products company, and the Corn Products company itself. All four defendants were fixed at \$10,000.

Murphy is charged, among other things, with trying to intimidate Hartog into settling a \$10,000,000 damage suit brought against the Tammany leader after the latter is alleged to have withdrawn promises of financial support in exchange for product from which Hartog was interested. The indictment alleges that Murphy threatened to accuse Hartog of arson, to expose to his wife his alleged affair with another woman, and sent him to jail for offenses he did not commit and ruin his business.

## HARDING SYMPATHETIC FOR INDEPENDENCE OF IRELAND?

Kansas City, Mo., June 23.—Frank P. Walsh, former chairman of the Federal Industrial Relations commission, tonight made public what he said was a copy of a letter Senator Warren G. Harding, republican presidential nominee, wrote to him, in which Senator Harding expressed "a very sympathetic feeling for the movement to bring about the independence of Ireland." Senator Harding's letter as given out by Mr. Walsh, dated March 24, last, read as follows:

"I have a very strong conviction myself of the very great part played by the Americans of Irish birth and ancestry in the making of our great United States. More than that, I have a very great sympathy for the movement to bring about the independence of Ireland and the establishment of Irish nationality which is the national aspiration of any Irish loving people."

"I must confess that I did not think well of the insincere demonstration in the senate recently in handling a reservation in behalf of Ireland in the resolutions of the League of Nations treaty. The insincerity of it was made manifest when sixteen senators who pressed the Irish reservation, refused to vote for the treaty after it was incorporated. I had the satisfaction myself of casting a favorable vote after the incorporation was made."

Mr. Walsh also made public a letter to Senator Harding asking the senator to "correct the erroneous impression which may have been created by the qualified denial of yourself and secretary that such a letter had been written by you."

## FAIL TO FIND RECORD OF LETTER WRITTEN BY WALSH

Kansas City, Mo., June 23.—Announcement was made at Senator Harding's office in Washington on June 19, that a search of the files there failed to disclose a record of any letter to Mr. Walsh expressing sympathy for the independence of Ireland, and Senator Harding said he had no recollection of having written such a letter. The purported letter had been published in the Westminster Gazette of London.

Declaring that he was speaking for Senator Harding, Mr. Christian said: "Mr. Walsh simply gave out a copy of a letter written to him by the senator, and the matter regarding the letter came up some days ago when we tried to find a copy of the letter in the office files but could not locate it. There was no hedging and no attempt to cheat about it. The letter is undoubtedly authentic."

## WILSON URGES DECISION BY RAILROAD LABOR BOARD

Washington, June 23.—The railroad labor board at Chicago has been urged by President Wilson to expedite its wage decision.

The president's message resulted from a meeting of railroad labor leaders and the board over the wage question and the want out of yardmen and other employees at Philadelphia, Baltimore and other cities. The text was not made public, but unofficially it was described as being of a forceful character.

## JOHNSON NOT DOWNCAST OVER CONVENTION RESULT

Sacramento, Calif., June 23.—Speaking publicly for the first time since the republican convention in Chicago, Senator Hiram W. Johnson today told a few hundred of his home town people who greeted him at the Southern Pacific depot that he was not downcast over the result.

## OBITUARY.

John E. Seible, a leading dry goods merchant of this city, president of the Miller & Peck company, was found dead in bed today at his home in the Hotel Elton. He had been in ill health for some time. He was a native of Bridgeport and came to Watertown 28 years ago.

## BERNARD F. SMITH.

Hartford, Conn., June 23.—Bernard F. Smith, president of the Capital City Auto company, which he organized in 1906, and for several years chairman of the Hartford automobile show, died suddenly of heart trouble at his cottage at Hawk's Nest, Old Lyme, last night. He was 38 years old and was born in Hartford. He leaves a wife.

## PREUS REF. NOMINEE FOR GOVERNOR OF MINNESOTA

St. Paul, Minn., June 23.—J. A. O. Preus, state auditor, and endorsed by the state-wide "elimination" convention, received the republican nomination for governor of Minnesota in Monday's primary election, virtually complete rout tonight showed.

# BRIEF TELEGRAMS

George W. Van Note, of Newark, N. J., has been appointed federal prohibition director for New Jersey.

President Wilson has appointed Fred K. Nielsen, of Nebraska, to be solicitor of the Department of Labor.

Director of the mint has announced a purchase of 1,700,000 ounces of silver at \$1 an ounce for delivery at San Francisco.

French warships bombarded Turkish Nationalist forces, which began an attack on Mersina on the Mediterranean, southeast of Odessa.

Lieut. Col. Richard Derby, son-in-law of the late Colonel Roosevelt, has been at the war department announced.

Thirteen I. W. W. agitators were arrested in the Kansas wheat belt. Officials are taking precautions to prevent labor difficulties during the harvest.

Twenty-one names of which eighteen are favorite sons, will be presented at the democratic national convention next week, as candidates for the presidency.

John B. Snow, a farm laborer, has filed his declaration as a candidate against Henry J. Allen for the republican nomination for governor of Kansas.

Demanding a 15 per cent. increase in pay, 600 employees of the Marshall Thread Co., of Kearney, N. J., have declared a strike. Most of the strikers are girls.

General Peyton C. March, who has been conducting an inspection of American troops in Germany, will sail for home on the Northern Pacific from Bristol, England.

The Supreme Council conference at Boulogne, after three sessions, has been adjourned to meet in Brussels July 2. Most of the questions taken up have been left unsettled.

Friedrich Wilhelm, former German Crown Prince, has left Wieringen for Doorn, where he will visit the ex-Kaiser, Prince Joachim has already reached Doorn.

The population of Salem, Mass., shows a decrease of 2 per cent. during the last ten years, according to figures given out by the census Bureau. The present population is 42,515.

Governor Edward I. Edwards, candidate for the democratic presidential nomination, will not attend the San Francisco convention. A series of appointments will keep him in Trenton.

The State Department has been advised that Fernando Llerenas Calderon, minister with the rank of ambassador, has been appointed Mexican high commissioner and will leave shortly for the United States.

State Senator Benjamin T. Bartlett of Derby, Vt., announced his candidacy for the republican nomination for congress against Congressman Sherman Fairbanks, on a platform demanding a modification of the Volstead act.

George Brown, charged with the murder of Richard Dunn on Feb. 9 last, pleaded not guilty at Ossipee, N. H. He was remanded to jail to await the October session of the grand jury.

The crew of the Scandinavian-American liner Frederick VIII, which reached New York from Sweden, was composed of bankers, physicians, professors and merchants, who had volunteered as strikebreakers.

Units of the Atlantic Fleet will return to their home yards at the end of this week, the navy bureau of navigation has announced. Every man will be given one month's leave of absence the announcement adds.

A request for \$3,000,000 with which to begin work on the terminal markets in Manhattan was made by Commissioner of Markets Edwin J. O'Malley before the Budget and Finance Committee of the Board of Estimate.

The breaking of a water conduit in Madrid has caused an acute shortage of water in that city. Although the conduit has been repaired, the supply is below normal and the police have found it difficult to prevent citizens from drinking out of stagnant park lakes and fountains.

Anti-bolshevik forces in south Russia, led a severe defeat upon the reds advised by General Wrangel, inflicted the state department declare. Approximately 4,600 prisoners were captured together with large quantities of military supplies.

French newspapers state that the Turkish attacks made upon the modified peace terms made upon the provision by both Premier Millerand and the Italian Foreign Minister, Count Sforza. The Turks must submit their reply to the Allies by Saturday as originally planned.

Fire broke out under one of the ways the Federal Shipbuilding Company at Kearny, N. J., today, with the exception of Jersey City. It was extinguished before serious damage was done. A 5,000-ton vessel was being constructed on the way, but was not damaged. Officials of the company state.

## RATHBONE PLEADED NOT GUILTY TO WIFE MURDER

Manchester, Vt., June 23.—Byron M. Rathbone of Bennington pleaded not guilty today to the indictment for murder in the first degree returned against him by a special session of the grand jury in connection with the death of his wife on April 8 last.

The court set July 18 as the date for the beginning of his trial. After his arrest early this month, the authorities announced that Rathbone had confessed to the murder of his wife, but he later repudiated the alleged confession.

## WORSTED DIVISION OF AMOSKEAG CO. TO CLOSE

Manchester, N. H., June 23.—The worsted division of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company with the exception of the dyeing and finishing departments will close Friday, probably until August 1. The dyeing and finishing departments will be run four days a week. The entire plant will close from July 1 to July 6. Poor business and the coal situation were given as the reasons for the partial shut down, which will affect about 3,300 hands.

## STRIKE OF BRITISH RADIO OPERATORS CALLED OFF

London, June 23.—The strike of wireless operators, which threatened to bring shipping activities to a virtual standstill, has been called off. This action was taken as a consequence of the state-wide "elimination" convention, received the republican nomination for governor of Minnesota in Monday's primary election, virtually complete rout tonight showed.

# Wilson is Urging Woman Suffrage

## Requests Special Session of Tennessee Legislature to Act on the Amendment

Washington, June 23.—President Wilson tonight sent a telegram to Governor Robert of Tennessee, urging that a special session of the Tennessee legislature be called to act on the federal suffrage amendment.

The president in his telegram said: "It would be a real service to the party and to the nation if it is possible for you under the peculiar provision of your state constitution, having in mind the recent decision of the supreme court of the Ohio case to call a special session of the legislature of Tennessee to consider the suffrage amendment. Allow me to urge this very earnestly."

## SPECIAL SESSION OF TENN. LEGISLATURE ON SUFFRAGE

Knoxville, Tenn., June 23.—Governor Roberts of Tennessee announced tonight that he would comply with the desire of President Wilson that a special session of the Tennessee legislature be called to act on the federal suffrage amendment.

The legislature will be called to meet, the governor said, in plenty of time to permit the women of the United States to vote in the November election provided ratification of the suffrage amendment is completed through favorable action by Tennessee.

## GRASSHOPPERS DEVASTATE WHEAT FIELDS IN TEXAS

Port Worth, Texas, June 23.—Across upon acres in some west Texas counties are being eaten bare by a new plague of grasshoppers that flooded down in May from the Middle West like clouds, according to reports reaching Fort Worth.

The invasion has become so serious that concerted action to meet it is being taken by agricultural agents. Fields of wheat they said, have been devastated in many parts of the Panhandle. Cattle ranges, according to official reports to headquarters of the Texas Cattle Raisers Association at Fort Worth, have been denuded.

Dr. W. H. P. Fraser, of North Dakota is scheduled to speak in behalf of the nonpartisan league. It is regarded by Secretary Esper as very probable that the labor party of Canada will be represented by fraternal delegates but will not participate otherwise in the convention. Max S. Hayes, of Cleveland, chairman of the national labor party will preside. Nominations for president and vice president are scheduled for Tuesday if the convention is then ready to act. Platform is also to be adopted then.

## PROGRAM OF CONVENTION OF THE LABOR PARTY

Chicago, Ill., June 23.—The program of the convention of the labor party of the United States, which will be held in Chicago July 11 to 13, is announced by Secretary Frank J. Esper.

The first day, Sunday, will be given over to hearing addresses from various sources. These include the Friends of Freedom for India, the proportional representation league, and the American Friends of Irish Freedom. Governor Lynn J. Frazier, of North Dakota is scheduled to speak in behalf of the nonpartisan league. It is regarded by Secretary Esper as very probable that the labor party of Canada will be represented by fraternal delegates but will not participate otherwise in the convention. Max S. Hayes, of Cleveland, chairman of the national labor party will preside. Nominations for president and vice president are scheduled for Tuesday if the convention is then ready to act. Platform is also to be adopted then.

## PULPWOOD TIMBER AND MILL SITES IN ALASKA

Juneau, Alaska, June 23.—Requests for information are being received by the Alaska Bureau of Publicity from capitalists in all parts of the country who are interested in pulpwood timber, mill sites and water power, presumably as a result of the recent initiative which the state of Alaska is about to propose 20 or 35 year leases to those desirous of engaging in the manufacture of pulpwood.

The Tongass national forest, comprising about 15,000,000 acres, approximately one-sixth of which is heavily timbered and abundantly supplied with mill sites and water, is the subject of many inquiries. Those who have closely observed the awakening of interest in the pulpwood industry in Alaska are of the belief that the elimination of the "cash in advance" and "year to year" system of leasing timber lands will result in the development of a great paper making industry which, they are confident, is bound to attract attention to other natural resources of Alaska which have long awaited the touch of capital.

## VANITIE LOSES RACE ON TIME ALLOWANCE

Newport, R. I., June 23.—The sloop Resolute added the seventh win to her string of victories in the America's cup defense elimination series today, defeating the Vanitie by one minute, seven seconds, corrected time. Today's race, the tenth of the series, was over a 20 mile course, with windward and leeward legs.

The Resolute made a slow getaway as she jibed for a new start. Both yachts split tacks after starting, the Vanitie going to port and her rival to starboard. The beat to windward was a hard battle, the Resolute gaining a few seconds. On the return the Vanitie gained and led the Resolute by one second at the finish, losing the race on the time allowance of one minute, 8 seconds.

## TEMPORARY SUSPENSION BY WORSTED MILLS

Lawrence, Mass., June 23.—Notices posted today in the Ussowco Mill of the United States Worsted company and the Walworth Brothers woolen mill notified the operatives that owing to business conditions the mills would be shut down for a brief period. The suspension of operations at the Walworth Brothers mill will be from tomorrow to July 11 and at the Ussowco mill from July 1 to July 12. About 1,500 operatives are affected.

## MORE THAN 400 STILL HAVE BEEN SEIZED IN KANSAS

Topeka, June 23.—More than 400 private stills have been seized in this state by the federal agents in the past year, according to Dudley Doolittle, federal prohibition enforcement officer for Kansas.

# LONG ORDERLY EXPERIENCES A REAL REIGN OF TERROR

## Casualty Figures Give But Faint Idea of the Grim Reality—None of the 40,000 Inhabitants Has Been Safe Since the Rioting Began Last Friday Night—Sniping Has Been Included in an on an Extensive Scale—Many Shopkeepers Have Suspended Business—Five Sinn Feiners Were Killed By Machine Gun Fire Employed to Cover the Removal of Several Protestants.

Londonderry, Ireland, June 23 (By the A. P.).—The outside world has little idea of the reign of terror Londonderry has been experiencing without respite since Friday last. The casualty figures from day to day are alarming enough, but they picture only the shadow of the grim reality. The truth is none of the 40,000 inhabitants has been safe since the rioting began.

The city is virtually controlled by extremists of the unionists and nationalists, who probably number under five hundred. They fire volleys down the streets without warning, and apparently without reason, and the citizens are thus put in a state of continuous panic, dreading only when the procurement of food becomes absolutely necessary. Many shopkeepers have suspended business and have taken refuge on the top floors of their premises for safety.

Men who are compelled to be in their offices sleep there rather than risk stepping into the streets.

## FIVE SINN FEINERS KILLED BY MACHINE GUN FIRE

Londonderry, June 23 (By the A. P.).—Five Sinn Feiners were killed by machine gun fire employed to cover the removal of several Protestants from Barrack street tonight, according to a military statement.

There is a lull now (10.30 p. m.) in the fighting.

Scenes of the most terrible description were enacted here last night and today. Many streets were swept by a murderous fire for sixteen hours continuously. One man was killed and ten dangerously wounded in one section of the city. Several houses are reported to be lying in ruins. Among the wounded was a young girl, and those who suffered slight injuries cannot be estimated.

Sniping was indulged in on a large scale and there was indiscriminate firing of rifles and revolvers all over the city. The principal conflict took place in Rishin street, where a large concentration of Sinn Feiners in the neighborhood of St. Columba's Catholic college and Nazareth home. Sand bags were thrown up from which a strong fire was directed at the unionists in Barrack street.

## APPLYING DENTAL SURGERY TO TREATMENT FOR INSANITY

St. Joseph, Mo., June 23.—Experiments in the application of dental surgery to treatment for insanity are being conducted in the No. 2 Missouri hospital for the insane here, according to Dr. G. E. Ward, who is in charge of the dental department. St. Joseph dentists and a dental school are conducting the research, according to the announcement.

No provision is made by the state for dental service in the state hospitals, the dentist says, with the result that the experimental work is at the expense of the men engaged in the work. The institution does not contain dental equipment, nor X-ray, nor has it ever had such equipment since it was established in 1874.

Doctor Ford said 724 patients have been treated. Sufficient improvement has been noted in a number of patients to convince the researchers that with a radical improvement in the condition of many of the patients.

Doctors Ford and Taylor explained that in their work they were following the lead of Dr. Henry A. Cotton, medical director of the Jersey State hospital at Trenton, who had developed and to a considerable degree substantiated a theory of relation between diseases of teeth and tonsils and insanity. Doctor Cotton maintains, produce insanity.

## BRIDGEPORT MAN HELD IN CAVE-IN FOR THREE HOURS

Bridgeport, Conn., June 23.—Jacob Fort, 49, was caught in a cave-in while working in a ditch on the property of the Bridgeport Brass Company, and was held fast from 10.30 a. m. until this afternoon. He was attributed to a general hospital at Trenton, who had developed and to a considerable degree substantiated a theory of relation between diseases of teeth and tonsils and insanity. Doctor Cotton maintains, produce insanity.

## GOV. EDWARDS NOT TO ATTEND DEM. CONVENTION

Jersey City, N. J., June 23.—Governor Edward I. Edwards, a member of the democratic "big four" delegation, announced definitely today that he would not attend the San Francisco convention next week. The governor gave no reason for his action, but it is known that a pressure of state business and other engagements prevented his departure with the other members of the New Jersey delegation last week.

## THREE PERSONS KILLED IN RIOTS AT MILAN, ITALY

London, June 23.—Three persons were killed and about 50 wounded at Milan, Italy, today in a clash between police and participants in a demonstration which followed a meeting of supporters of the railway strikers, according to a Reuters dispatch from that city. Shop windows were smashed during the fighting, and many arrests have been made.

## SUGAR TO COST 26 CENTS A POUND IN HONOLULU

Honolulu, T. H., June 23.—With fields of sugar cane stretching for miles across the island from the outskirts of the city, Honolulu likely will be paying 26 cents a pound for its retail sugar in the near future, say the grocers.

The dealers say they have been buying sugar at 24.25 cents a pound and they are allowed two cents profit by the United States attorney general's order.

## 14 AWAITING DEPORTATION HAVE BEEN RELEASED

Boston, Mass., June 23.—Fourteen persons, awaiting deportation as alien radicals, were ordered released by Judge George W. Anderson in the federal court today. The court, in announcing this decision, said the corpus delicti proceedings brought in behalf of the radicals, held that the communist party, of which all are members, is not a "party of force and violence."